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SUBJECT: US-USSR COOPERATIVE AGREEMENTS: SCHEDULING OF JOINT  
COMMITTEE MEETINGS

REF: STATE 79488, STATE 64356, MOSCOW 4147, MOSCOW 2226

1. IN 22 APRIL MEETING AT SCST, SCICOUNS PRESENTED AS NON-PAPER  
TEXT OF PARAS 1A-C OF REFERENCE A (LAST SENTENCE OF PARA 1C WAS  
AMENDED TO READ, "IT MAY BE POSSIBLE TO HAVE SUCH A DISCUSSION  
LATER THIS SPRING").

2. AFTER SCICOUNS REVIEWED POINTS IN NON-PAPER, AYKAZYAN EXPRESSED  
APPRECIATION FOR RESPONSE (SINCE AYAKZYAN DID NOT RAISE QUESTION OF  
"OTHER FACTORS," PARA 2 OF REF A, SECOND NON-PAPER DRAWN FROM THAT  
PARAGRAPH WAS NOT REPEAT NOT PROVIDED, BUT SCICOUNS OBSERVED THAT  
ALL WORKING-LEVEL ACTIVITIES ARE CONTINUING).

3. AYKAZYAN SAID THAT SEVERAL DAYS AGO ALEKSENDKO (SOVIET CO-CHAIRMAN  
OF TRANSPORTATION AGREEMENT; DEPUTY CHAIRMAN OF SCST) HAD ASKED  
AYKAZYAN WHAT STATUS WAS ON MEETINGS. AYKAZYAN SAID THAT HIS  
REPLY WAS THAT AN ANSWER WAS EXPECTED SOON FROM THE US SIDE.

4. STATING THAT HE WAS SPEAKING "QUITE FRANKLY", AYKAZYAN SAID  
THAT HIS "INSTRUCTIONS ARE TO CONTINUE WITH MAXIMUM EFFICIENCY  
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WITH ALL ACTIVITIES AGREED WITH THE US SIDE." CHOOSING HIS WORDS

VERY CAREFULLY, HE SAID THAT THE SOVIET SIDE CAN UNDERSTAND WHY THE US CURRENTLY HAS PROBLEMS WITH SCHEDULING THE JOINT COMMITTEE MEETINGS. AYKAZYAN SAID THAT HE WILL PASS THE INFORMATION PROVIDED TO KIRILLIN, AND CONCLUDED THAT THE SOVIETS WILL BE AWAITING FURTHER INFORMATION FROM THE US DURING THE SPRING.

5. COMMENT. AYKAZYAN'S SEVERAL REFERENCES TO KIRILLIN AND ALEKSENKO, AS WELL AS HIS CAREFUL PHRASING OF THE SENTENCE ON SOVIET "UNDERSTANDING", SUGGEST THAT HIGH-LEVEL ATTENTION IS FOCUSED ON THIS QUESTION.

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